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PART-IIA

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

NOTIFICATIONS

The 14th January, 2022.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No.EDN.1/2008/Pt/374. – Whereas, the Hague Convention held on 5th October, 1961, which India is a member had abolished the unduly long process of legalization of foreign public documents and replaced it with the simplified method called Apostille. An Apostille is a certificate that authenticates the origin of public documents and issued by a country that is a party to the Apostille Convention to be used in another country which is also a party to the convention;

Whereas, according to the procedures laid down by the Ministry of External Affairs for attestation/Apostille in respect of educational documents, the documents should first be authenticated by the Education Department of the concerned State Government / Union Territory, before legalization of documents by the Ministry of External Affairs;

And whereas, it has been observed that authentication of the document or certificate requires verification of all relevant records on the basis of which such document/certificate has been issued including the signature of the issuing authority. This exercise can be done only by the respective institutions or universities which issued the concerned document or certificate, and;

Now, therefore, it is decided that the following procedures be adopted for authentication of educational documents and certificate in Meghalaya:-

1. **For educational documents such as degree/diploma certificates issued by the State Universities and Central Universities located within Meghalaya and educational institutions affiliated to them -** The authorized officer of the State Education Department will authenticate the document/certificate after verifying with the concerned universities and educational institution.
2. **For educational documents such as degree/diploma certificates issued by the private universities located within Meghalaya and established under the relevant Act enacted by the State Legislature of Meghalaya -** The authorized officer of the State Education Department **shall not** authenticate the documents/certificates. The authorized officer will however after necessary verification, -

- (a) Certify that the private university is genuine and established under the relevant laws enacted by the Legislature of the State of Meghalaya;
- (b) Certify that the document has been authenticated by the issuing authority and duly vetted by the Meghalaya Private Universities Regulatory Board.

The above order will come into effect immediately.

D. P. WAHLANG,

Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Education Department.

The 8th February, 2022.

No.EDN.185/2008/242. - The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to allow for enhancement of the remuneration of the Morning Section Teachers in Government Colleges from the existing rate of ₹ 5000/- per month to ₹ 15,000/- per month with effect from 1st April, 2021.

R. RAPTHAP,

Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Education Department.

The 1st April, 2022.

No.EDN.214/2013/74. - In pursuance of Ministry of Education, Government of India direction, it is hereby notified that all Educational Institution's Head (Head Master/Principal/Vice Principal/i/c School's Head) of all schools across all district in the State from Grade I to Grade XII (including Pre-primary section attached to schools) are to mandatorily comply with the submission of the information required in the UDISE+ data capture format released by the Ministry of Education, Government of India **without fail**.

Whereas, new schools/institutions which have received their opening permission from the concerned authority are to **compulsorily register in UDISE+** and those schools/institutions which has never been registered under UDISE+ or never apply for UDISE Code can get themselves register with the MIS section of the District Mission Coordinator, office SSA in the concerned District by producing their opening Permission/Recognition letter from the concerned authority.

And whereas, the UDISE+ online application managed by the Ministry of Education, Government of India also have the online facilities whereby school themselves can submit the UDISE+ data using any devices through online mode on <https://www.udiseplus.gov.in/#/home/login> which are administered by the State/ District & Block MIS. Schools can avail their '**UDISE School Login ID**' and '**Password**' from the office of the Block Mission Coordinator Office, SSA so as to enable UDISE+ data submission through online mode.

UDISE+ database is the only source of statistical data available in the entire school education and are also the basic source of data driven for compilation of the Sustainable Development Goal 4 indicators, Performance Grading Index (PGI) report and other achievement report etc. and, utmost consistent, precise and accurate information are required to be submitted in UDISE+ data by all schools. All Block/District/State officials are required to take steps to collate accurate data with proper validation, verification and data checks from time to time for better planning on Education & Human Resource Development in Educational Sector.

D. P. WAHLANG,

Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Education Department.

The 18th April, 2022.

No.POWER-80/2016/144. - In exercise of the Power conferred by Sub-section (1) of Section 70 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000), the Power Department, Government of Meghalaya hereby declares the following identified Critical Information Infrastructure (CII) systems and their associated information infrastructure dependences at the State Load Despatch Center (SLDC). Shillong, Meghalaya as Protected Systems for the purposes of the said Act:

- (a) Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA).
- (b) Unified Real Time Dynamic State Measurement System (URTDSM).

The Superintending Engineer, SLDC, MePTCL, Shillong is hereby authorized to access the notified Protected Systems.

This notification shall come into force on the date of publication in the Official Gazette.

P. BAKSHI,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Power Department.

The 19th April, 2022.

No.SW(S) 54/98/843. - In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5 of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Work place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 (Central Act No. 14 of 2013), the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to notify the District Magistrate of the Eastern West Khasi Hills District, Mairang of the State of Meghalaya to exercise the power or discharge function under this Act within their respective jurisdiction with effect from the date of issue of this notification.

The District Magistrate shall constitute a Committee known as the 'Local Complaints Committee' to receive complaints of sexual harassment from establishment where the Internal Complaints Committee has not been constituted due to having less than ten workers or if the complaints is against the employer himself as laid down in Section 6(1) of Chapter III of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Work place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 (Central Act No. 14 of 2013).

The District Magistrate shall also constitute the Local Complaints Committee as under Section 7 (1) (a) upto (d) of the aforesaid Act immediately. The Local complaints committee may be notified by designation on priority.

P. BAKSHI,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Social Welfare Department.

The 14th April, 2022.

No.FOR.CC/14/2019/Pt/4. - It is hereby directed that the grant of quarry permits and mining leases in respect of sand, which is a minor mineral having been listed at Sl. No. 3 of Schedule III of Meghalaya Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, shall be strictly regulated in accordance with the Meghalaya Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016.

The authority competent to grant the mining leases and quarry permits shall strictly enforce the provisions contained in Rule 4(3) of the Meghalaya Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016 in as much as the said Sub-Rule prohibits grant of mining lease and quarry permit without prior environmental clearance under Environment Protection Act, 1986 by the competent authority.

It is further directed that the provisions of the Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 have been duly adopted by the State Government and are required to be strictly implemented by the concerned authorities.

Any mining or quarrying of sand by any individual, institution or organization without quarry permit or mining lease issued under the provisions of Meghalaya Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016 by the competent authority is an offense.

It is further directed that officers authorized under Section of 21 of Mines and Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 shall register the cases forthwith and take all other further consequential actions including seizure of illegally extracted sand, tool, equipment, vehicle or any other thing used thereof.

To secure effective implementation of the order, the concerned District Magistrate shall expressly notify that quarrying/mining of sand without permission shall be dealt with strictly and shall issue suitable orders under Section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973.

SYED MD. A. RAZI,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Forests & Environment Department.

The 14th April, 2022.

No.FOR.CC/14/2019/Pt/3. - In compliance with the directions issued by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal vide orders dated 5th April, 2019 and 26th February, 2021 in O.A. 360/2015 in the matter of *National Green Tribunal Bar Association & Anr. Vs. Union of India & Ors.*, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to adopt Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India for the purpose of grant of mining leases and quarry permits for sand mining, for effective monitoring of sand mining and all other issues related to sustainable sand mining in Meghalaya. It is clarified that the aforesaid guidelines are in addition to the provisions contained in Meghalaya Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016 and Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Central Act No. 67 of 1957).

SYED MD. A. RAZI,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Forests & Environment Department.

The 22nd April, 2022.

Sub:- *Diversion of 6.55 ha. of deemed private forest land for Limestone Mining Project at Madan Pyrda, Chiehruphi Village in East Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya of M/s Green Valliey Industries Limited.*

No.FOR. 14/2017/676. - WHEREAS, the Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Shillong in their letter F.No. 3-MG B 027/2018-SHI/2596-97, dated 14th October, 2019 have communicated the In-Principle/Stage-I approval order in favour of M/s Green Valliey Industries Limited for diversion of 6.55 hectares of deemed private forest land for Limestone Mining Project at Madan Pyrda, Chiehruphi Village in East Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya subject to fulfilment of conditions stipulated in the said approval.

And whereas, in consideration of the compliance of the conditions stipulated in the In-Principle approval, the Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Shillong in their letter No.3-MG C 027/2018-SHI/4021-22, dated 30th March, 2021 have accorded final approval for diversion of 6.55 hectares of deemed private forest land for Limestone Mining Project at Madan Pyrda, Chiehruphi Village in East Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya in favour of M/s Green Valliey Industries Limited subject to fulfilment of conditions which are listed herein.

Now, therefore, Government of Meghalaya do hereby permit diversion of deemed private forest land of 6.55 hectares in favour of M/s Green Valliey Industries Limited for limestone mining project at Madan Pyrda, Chiehruphi Village in East Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya. Detailed land schedule of the diverted forest land of 6.55 ha. has been duly authenticated by the Revenue and Disaster Management Department vide letter No.RDS.97/2017/Pt-I/106-A, dated 30th October, 2019. Non-forest land of 6.55 ha at Nongumiang Village adjoining the existing Reserved Forest in West Khasi Hills has been transferred and handed over to Forest & Environment Department on 21st July, 2020 as per Deed of Transfer of Land signed between the first party (representative of M/s Green Valliey Industries Limited) and the second party (representative of Forest & Environment Department), for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation.

The Deputy Commissioner, East Jaintia Hills District is authorized to hand over the diverted deemed private forest land to the User Agency in respect of diverted forest land which falls within his jurisdiction in accordance with law provided there are no orders of any Court of law to the contrary. Before handing over the diverted deemed forest land to the User Agency it shall be ensured that payment of compensatory levies, viz, NPV, CA and other related payments in respect of the diverted forest land for this project have been deposited, in full, by the User Agency as per prescribed rate.

The Divisional Forest Officer of Jaintia Hills (Territorial) Division, Jowai and the Divisional Forest Officer (SF & Territorial) West & South West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin are directed to monitor compliance of the conditions stipulated for such diversion in the respective forest/wildlife clearance order and to report violations, if any, to the Nodal Officer FC Act, the PCCF & HoFF, Meghalaya and to the Forest & Environment Department

Execution of project activities will be subject to having valid mining lease and availability of all other clearances required under relevant Act/Rules for this mining project, deposit of requisite fees and compliance with Court order if any.

The User Agency shall comply with the following conditions for the purpose of instant diversion of forest land:

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 6.55 ha in single patch equivalent non-forest land located to Nongumiang in West Khasi Hills District adjacent to Nongumiang Reserved Forest as per the fund deposited by the User Agency & scheme furnished by the State Govt. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.

- (iii) The boundary of the diverted forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from the pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates before handing over the forest land to the User Agency.
- (iv) The approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act 1986, if required.
- (v) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (vi) The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of Central Government.
- (vii) The mining lease period under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall be coterminous with the current lease granted under Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulating) Act, 1957 or Rules framed thereunder or any other Act, or for 20 years, whichever is earlier.
- (viii) Reclamation plan shall be implemented as per the Mining plan approved by the Indian Bureau of Mines. The progress of the implementation of the Reclamation Plan shall be monitored regularly by the State Forest Department and the IRO, Shillong.
- (ix) Demarcation of mining lease area shall be done on the ground at project cost using four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars with serial numbers, forward and back bearings and distance from pillar to pillar at every 20 meter.
- (x) The User Agency shall maintain a strip of at least 100 meter of forest area on the boundary of mining area as a green belt.
- (xi) Top soil shall be protected at the project cost.
- (xii) Other standard conditions as applicable to proposals related to mining shall be applicable in this instant case.
- (xiii) The User Agency shall take all possible precautions and care all the time not to impact adversely the surrounding forests and forest land by their actions/activities.
- (xiv) Tree felling shall be done only when absolutely unavoidable and such removal, if any, shall be done under the supervision of the Forest Department.
- (xv) The layout plan shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- (xvi) The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora and fauna in the surrounding. Any damage done in this regard shall be compensated by the User Agency from the project cost as per assessment of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- (xvii) The proposal will be implemented under the overall supervision of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- (xviii) No labour camp shall be established on forest land. In order to avoid pressure on neighbouring forests, the User Agency should arrange for fuel, preferably alternate fuel, to the labourers working at site.
- (xix) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-Fc, dated 28th March, 2019.

- (xx) The User Agency shall comply with all the provisions of the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and NGT Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project
- (xxi) All other clearance/NOCs under applicable rules/regulations/local laws and Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as required *vide* MoEF, New Delhi guideline No.11-9/1998-FC(pt), dated 3rd August, 2009 shall be complied with.
- (xxii) User Agency shall submit an annual self-monitoring report indicating status of the implementation of the conditions stipulated in the approval accorded for diversion of said forest land to the State Government and IRO, MoEF & CC, Shillong.
- (xxiii) This approval may be revoked if the above conditions of approval are not complied to the satisfaction of the Integrated Regional Office, Shillong and the State Forest & Environment Department.
- (xxiv) Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, IRO, Shillong and the State Government may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.

SYED MD. A. RAZI,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Forests & Environment Department.

The 27th April, 2022.

No.FOR-138/81/Pt-I/228. - In exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (1) of Section 13 of the Meghalaya Forest (Removal of Timber) Regulation Act, 1981, the Government of Meghalaya is pleased to notify Forest check-posts at following places for the purpose of the aforesaid Act in South Garo Hills District.

South-Garo Hills

1. Sangknigre (Chokpot-Tura Road).
2. Nongalbibra (Nongal-Williamnagar Road).

SYED MD. A. RAZI,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Forests & Environment Department.

The 19th April, 2022.

CORRIGENDUM

No.SAE.18/2014/88. - Please read "**Secretariat Administration Department**" instead of Secretariat Administration Department (Establishment) appearing in this Department's Notification No.SAE.18/201/87, dated Shillong, the 18th February, 2022.

S. D. RITSHONG,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Secretariat Administration Department (Establishment).

The 22nd April, 2022.

No.PW/Admn/39/2015/240. - In the interest of works and for better execution of the road project namely "Rehabilitation & Upgradation of Nongstoin-Wahkaji Section of Road Km. 0.00 to Km. 43.060 to Intermediate lane with earthen shoulder under SARDP-NE Phase-A", the jurisdiction of P.W.D. (Roads) Divisions for supervising the works shall be as follows:-

| Sl. No. | Name of Roads | Length in Kms. |
|---------|---|---|
| 1. | Under P.W.D. (Roads) Nongstoin Division, Nongstoin | Portion from 0.00 Km. to 15.00 Km. |
| 2. | Under P.W.D. (Roads), Mawkyrwat Division, Mawkyrwat | Portion from 16 th Km. to 43.060 Km. |

This order shall be with immediate effect and until further orders.

T. G. NENG NONG,

Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Public Works (R & B) Department.

The 26th April, 2022.

No.RDS.112/2014/100. - In exercise of the power conferred under Section 11(d) (i) of the Meghalaya Transfer of Land (Regulation) Act, 1971, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to specify the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. as a Company to which the provisions of the said Act, shall not apply in relation to transfer of land measuring 1050 Sqm. (more or less) located at Demthring Village, Dawki Amlarem Jowai Road, West Jaintia Hills District (and more fully described in the Schedule below) by way of lease for a period of 30 (thirty) years from Shri Pynsukdame Jones Pyrtuh, to the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. for the purpose of setting up of a retail outlet.

SCHEDULE OF BOUNDARIES

North : NH 40E

East : Jaka U Korin June Suting, Demthring.

South : Jaka U Korin June Suting, Demthring.

West : Jaka U Manbhami Ryngkhlem, Demthring.

Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Revenue & Disaster Management Department.

The 26th April, 2022.

No.ERTS (R) 8/2021/20. - In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 3 of the Special Marriage Act, 1954 (Central Act 43 of 1954) as amended, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to appoint Shri Pranshon Jala, President, Ka Sengbah ki Nongshat Nongkhein Hynniew Skum Hynniew Trep Baniun, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong, as Marriage Officer to conduct Civil Marriage among its believers; in the following Districts.

- 1) East Khasi Hills District.
- 2) West Khasi Hills District.
- 3) South West Khasi Hills District.
- 4) Eastern West Khasi Hills District.
- 5) Ri-Bhoi District.

S. A. SYNREM,

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Excise, Registration, Taxation and Stamps Department.